

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 13 and 18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, non-elected claims 7-12, 14-17 and 19-24 are canceled.

In the Office Action, it was indicated that the application was in condition for allowance except for the presence of non-elected claims 7-12, 14-17 and 19-24. As these claims are canceled by this Amendment, the application is now believed to be in full condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-6, 13 and 18 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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